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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Walker et al. Application No.: 08/822,709 Filed: March 21, 1997 SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR For:

PERFORMING LOTTERY TICKET TRANSACTIONS UTILIZING POINT-OF-SALE TERMINALS

Group Art Unit: 3713 J. Harrison Examiner: Batch No.: AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE **PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.312** Attorney Docket No. 97-006 Walker Digital Corporation Five High Ridge Park Stamford, CT 06905-1326

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due mailed January 16, 2001, entry of the following amendments into the above-identified application and consideration of the following remarks are respectfully requested: